

**THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
SHERMAN DIVISION**

DATE 05/01/2023

DISTRICT JUDGE
Amos L. Mazzant, III

COURT REPORTER: Deborah Kriegshauser
COURTROOM DEPUTY: Keary Conrad
LAW CLERK: Emily Norman

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	
V.	CASE NUMBER 4:20CR212
DEBRA MERCER-ERWIN (1)	

ATTORNEY FOR GOVERNMENT	ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT
Ernest Gonzalez and Lesley Brooks, AUSA	Matthew Cyran, Joe White, Kate White

On this day, came the parties by their attorneys and the following proceedings were held in Sherman, TX:

TIME:	MINUTES: Jury Trial – Day 14
8:03 a.m.	Court in session. Court notes appearance of counsel.
8:04 a.m.	Jury seated.
8:05 a.m.	Government AUSA Ernest Gonzalez begins closing argument.
8:50 a.m.	Defendant's counsel, Joe White begins closing argument.
9:41 a.m.	Government AUSA Lesley Brooks completes closing argument.
9:58 a.m.	Jury excused for break.
9:58 a.m.	Court recess for break.
10:17a .m.	Court re-convened. Jury seated.
10:18 a.m.	Court reads preliminary instructions to the jurors.
11:19 a.m.	Jury excused to begin deliberations.
2:49 p.m.	Court re-convened for notes from jury.
2:50 p.m.	Court advises Parties of note #1 regarding the foreperson; note #2 regarding jurors to return tomorrow; note #3 parties agree to response.
2:53 p.m.	Court in recess pending further notes or verdict.
3:05 p.m.	Court re-convened. Juror note #4 addressed with the parties. Parties agree to response.
3:07 p.m.	Court in recess pending further notes or verdict.
5:00 p.m.	Jury will return tomorrow at 8:30 a.m.

DAVID O'TOOLE, CLERK

BY: Keary Conrad
Courtroom Deputy Clerk